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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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| \boxtimes | A specification consisting of Twenty-one (21) pages | | | | | | |
| \boxtimes | Four (4) sheet(s) formal drawings | | | | | | |
| \boxtimes | An assignment of the invention | | | | | | |
| | Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27 Applicant does not claim priority | | | | | | |
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| | Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 2003-002272 filed in JAPAN on January 8, 2003. Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto. Certified copy(ies) will follow. | | | | | | |
| \boxtimes | Executed Declaration (Original Photocopy) | | | | | | |

| | Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76 |
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| \boxtimes | Preliminary Amendment |
| \boxtimes | Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s) |
| | Other: |
| | Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee |
| | Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § |

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